Application No. 10/588,218

<u>REMARKS</u>

Claims 1-9 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 10-16 are canceled without prejudice to, or disclaimer of, the subject matter recited in those claims. Reconsideration of the application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

The Office Action, on page 3, indicates that claims 1-9 are allowed. Applicants appreciate this indication of allowance and cancel claims 10-16 to place this application in condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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